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AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2646, AS REPORTED

OFFERED BY MR. ACKERMAN OF NEW YORK

(Page and line numbers refer to the amendment in the nature
of a substitute, COMBES.011)

AMENDMENT NO.____: At the end of title IX (page 354, after line 16), insert the following new section:

1 SEC. ___. UNLAWFUL STOCKYARD PRACTICES INVOLVING

2 NONAMBULATORY LIVESTOCK.

3 Title III of the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921,

4 (7 U.S.C. 201 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end

5 the following:

6 "SEC. 318. UNLAWFUL STOCKYARD PRACTICES INVOLVING

7 NONAMBULATORY LIVESTOCK.

8 "(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

9 "(1) HUMANELY EUTHANIZE.—The term 'hu-

10 manely euthanize' means to kill an animal by me-

11 chanical, chemical, or other means that immediately

12 render the animal unconscious, with this state re-

13 maining until the animal's death.

14 "(2) NONAMBULATORY LIVESTOCK.—The term

15 'nonambulatory livestock' means any livestock that

16 is unable to stand and walk unassisted.

17 "(b) UNLAWFUL PRACTICES.—

18 "(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-

19 graph (2), it shall be unlawful for any stockyard

1   owner, market agency, or dealer to buy, sell, give,

2   receive, transfer, market, hold, or drag any non-

3   ambulatory livestock unless the nonambulatory live-

4   stock has been humanely euthanized.

5   "(2) EXCEPTIONS.—

6   "(A) NON-GIPSA FARMS.—Paragraph (1)

7   shall not apply to any farm the animal care

8   practices of which are not subject to the author-

9   ity of the Grain Inspection, Packers, and Stock-

10   yards Administration.

11   "(B) VETERINARY CARE.—Paragraph (1)

12   shall not apply in a case in which non-

13   ambulatory livestock receive veterinary care in-

14   tended to render the livestock ambulatory.

15   "(c) APPLICATION OF PROHIBITION.—Subsection (b)

16 shall apply beginning one year after the date of the enact-

17 ment of the Farm Security Act of 2001. By the end of

18 such period, the Secretary shall promulgate regulations to

19 carry out this section.".